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War For This Year Forecast

Copenhagen, Feb. 29.4-M. Age Toldnaes, a Dane who claims to be able to foretell the future, told a newspaper here that two blg countries would be involved in another war this year. A third country would start it.

he said. He claimed that Marshal Stalln was against another war, but that the other great powers were working towards one. M. Toldmaes said he had look-

ed into the future and had seen men in foreign costumes carrying knives turned forward .-

Heavy Water Bootleggers Arrested

Munich, Feb. 29 .- Eleven men have been arrested on charges of "bootlegging" heavy water-used in atomic experiments, it was disclosed yesterday.

Identity of the arrested mensome of whom were non-Germanswas kept secret. The authorities said this was because "further de-

velopments" are expected. U.S. public safety officers confirmed that German police har! smashed a ring of operators.

American authorities are taking an interest on the grounds that the retation of heavy water to atomic energy lifts the case out of the local

German category. German police said that eight aluminium flasks of the precious liquid were salvaged from Norway in spite of the British wartime commando ralds which smashed German testing equipment there.

BURIED IN GARDEN They told this story:

The flasks were brought to Munich University in 1945. A science professor buried them in his garden. He was killed by a shell a few days from nearby Arab and Jewish towns.

the flasks two years later and last to go off. The other three were year made a deal to sell each flask spaced so they went off directly un-

He found the liquid to be genuine. Recently the German criminal police stumbled on the activities of the ring and one investigator posed ns an interested Swiss. When the deal was made the operators were arrested .- Associated Press.

Kashmir Raiders Repulsed

ders were killed when an Indian violence to other parts of Palestine. Army patrol made several bayonet | Unofficial Jewish sources in Telcharges in a night attack near Aviv said six Jews were killed Naoshera, Kashmir, New Delhi when a reconnaissance party of the

destroyed, the Radio added.—Reuter, tish police.

REVENGE

Killed

Jerusalem, Feb. 29.—Three mines exploded with terrific impact today under three railway sleepercars crowded with British soldiers, killing 28 of them and injuring 33 others.

British authorities blamed Jews, and the Jewish underground Stern Gang said it had blown up the train in retaliation for the Jerusalem bombing which killed 54 Jews last Sunday.

"This is our answer for last Sunday's Ben Yehuda Street crime," a Sternist announcement declared. Jews have blamed the British for the Jerusalem bombing despite British denials and Arab claims of responsibility

The three railway sleepers were on | the Cairo Express north-bound from Cairo to Haifa. The blast occurred a mile and a half north of Rehovet, a Jewish citrus belt town 15 miles southeast of the Jewish coastal city of Tel-Aviv.

ly detonated mines shattered the and it was feared that the final wooden cars, which were jammed death roll might be heavier. with soldiers returning from leave in

AGONISED CRIES

girders from the demolished coaches splattered over nearby orange groves. The agonised cries of the dying and wounded rent the air in that isolated under the wreckage. section of the coastal plain.

The track rails were twisted grotesquely and were tangled in the

debris of the train itself. Ambulances converged on the scene over sniper infested roads The Army spokesman said four The professor's wife remembered mines were planted but one failed

for 40,000 marks (£1,000).

A Yugo-Slav contact man turned Lieutenant General G. H. Maca sample over to a Spanish chemist. Millan, Commander of British forces in Palestine reported from the blast area that the toll would have been "50 or more" if the fourth mine had

> Sappers who dismantled the dud mine said it contained pounds of ammonal explosive, and was connected by a 40 yard wire to

a plunger. The Cairo Express has been a target for attack three times before. London, Feb. 29-Fifty-nine rai- The day also brought deaths and Haganah army was ambushed in the cluded.

EDITORIAL

Communism's Threat

THE swift Communist coup in L Czechoslovakia (manifestly inspired and directed by Moscow) followed by the thinnest of thinly velled ultimatums to Finland are positive signs that Russia is preparing for a final break with her democratic wartime allies and that she intends to dominate as much of Europe as she can before the next shooting match begins. Stalin has personally indicated to the Finns that they would be well advised to enter into a defensive alliance with the Soviets, and the meaning of such a note cannot be mistaken. The alllance will be the prelude to another political putson which will see the Kinnish Communist party, at present in a hopeless minority, become rulers of the State. Nor docs there appear to be any way of preventing "such "a" coup. It can be anticipated that if the Finnish people attempted to resist the political moves now being planned by Finland's Communists and Moscow, Stalin would regard this as sufficient reason for undisguised interference in the shape of armed coercion. That might be risky, but on general appearances, no more so than when Hitler indulged in similar tactics with Austria, Memel and Czechoslovakla. The Communists have. proved themselves expert in the art of political divide and rule and everything points to Finland being the next victim of this technique. But a more crucial

question is whether, the Russians seriously intend to try and bring about the polltleal disruption of Italy and France. The economic and financial condition of both countries automatically weakens resistance to the insidiously subtle methods of Communist Infiltration and political sabstage. The known influence of the Communists in the French and Italian trade unions is already formidable, and with their training in opportunism they are capable of turning any situation to their advantage. Moscow is almost certain to intensify its efforts to stir up strife in Italy, Greece and France in the coming months if for no other immediate : purpose than to sabotage the Marshall ald plan, which Stalin, and his associales obviously recognise as constituting the most effective barrier to Communism in Western Europe. For this reason the coup in Czechoslovakia, the overt threat to Finland and the clear danger to Italy and France may spur the American Congress to rapid approval of the Emergency Relief Plan for Europe, and by its quick implementation provide the one protection against a Communistdominated confinent. Certainly if the present free countries of the continent are to have a fair chance of saving themselves from becoming political and economic satellites of Russia they must be given assistance and encouragement without delay.

Eight Jews believed to be Stern Gang members robbed the Jerusalem Municipality Office of US\$3,200,---Associated Press.

RESCUE WORK CONTINUES

Reuter adds that it was not known An Army spokesman said electrical- if there were any civilian casualties

A Jewish eyewitness said shattered coaches were flung on both sides of the railway lines.

As darkness fell tonight, reswreckage for victims. The rescue

to the military hospital. Wrecked telephone lines hampered the speedy summoning of help.

BRITISH WARNING

headquarters proclamation issued here warned the population of sult in defeat for both plans. Jerusalem that the British Army is prepared to use "weapons more all efforts to stabilise the Chinese intervened. powerful than those available to the Arabs or the Jews" to stop the Arab-Jewish fighting in the city.

"In encounters of this kind where it is impossible to decide which side is the aggressor, the Army will therefore use its weapons impartially against whichever side is firing.

"The object will be to stop the fighting at once with a minimum loss of life. This is an impartial warning to both sides. The only way to avoid clashes with the Army and the casualties, which must necessarily result; is by not participating in any battles in the Jerusalem area as the Army will now intervene at every opportunity," the proclamation con-

The ratuers were driven by and value of the bodies were recovered by Bri- rolled from an Arab lorry, blew up charter as prohibiting that type of southeast of Jaffa, last night, injuring | one Jew, it was officially reported

> Police headquarters reported that two Jewish prisoners dressed themselves in warders' uniforms and tried to walk out of Jerusalem's Central Prison today. They were detected before they cleared the main gate, and were sent back to their cells.

PWD HOLD-UP

Armed Jews stoday took over at pistol point the office of the Palestine Government Public Works Department in the Jewish quarter of Jerusalem and occupied the building for four hours.

of the Prophets, was thoroughly searched while the staff was lined up against the walls with their hands raised. They left after taking possession of documents, explosives, surveying

The office, which is in the Street

instruments and some motorcycles, to a total value of £10,000. While the raid was in progress, ment on China aid disclose that armed Jews, described as Irgun although there are a number

streets' outside. .

about 1,000 illegal immigrants on aid plans. They said they believed a five-man United States Senate (Republican of West Virginia), chairboard, has been boarded off the that when a showdown came there Judiciary Subcommittee, due to Senators Forrest Donnell (Republican Palestine coast by units of the would be no general disposition be published tomorrow. Royal Navy and is now steaming amongst Congressmen to go further under escort to Haifa. The ship was reported yesterday

to have been intercepted by the Royal Navy after being spotted by British patrolling sireraft.—Reuter. SHELLS AGAINST SNIPERS

Jerusalem, Feb. 29.—Two-pounder

shells were fired in Jerusalem tonight by the British Army to silence | Shanghai instead of being devoted to | majority. Jewish snipers—the first time the British have used weapons of this currency, the sources said this would Senator Cooper urged that 150,000 majority report is a most careful would have to have agricultural calibre inside the city.—Reuter.

Militon Reynolds Sets Out To Find A Mountain.

Chicago, Feb. 29.—Millionaire pen manufacturer Milton. Reynolds, set out today to see if he can find a mountain higher than 29,000 foot Mount Everest.

With a small group of scientists and his plane crew, Reynolds took off from Municipal sirport on the first leg of a flight to China.

The group, in a specially equipped four-engined C-87 named the Explorer, planned to land tonight at Palm Springs, Calif. Reynolds said he expected to start the over-water part of the flight from San Francisco on Tuesday after a final check of plane and equipment. The itinerary includes, Honoluiu, Manila, Okinawa, Tokyo and Shanghal. The expedition plans to map and measure the Amne Machin mountains of Tsinghai province in Northwestern

Reynolds said he believes the range has several of the highest peaks in the world, but it has never been explored thoroughly because it is virtually inaccessible.—Associated Press.

Stabilisation For China Unlikely

OF U.S. OFFICIALS ATTITUDE

Washington, Feb. 29.—Informed consensus here is that there is virtually no possibility of the Chinese Government securing any currency stabilisation loan in the United States in the foreseeable future.

Despite the increasing Republican acceptable than a direct stabilisation clamour for aid to China beyond loan request. the \$570,000,000 commodity and reconstruction programme Congressional consideration, informed sources in close touch with all aspects of the situation said they were certain in a final analysis that no source here would be willing to take the responsibility for such a loan at present.

It is understood that most Administration officials believe that Splintered wood and twisted cuers were still digging in the the current Republican demands for larger scale aid to China such workers were guided by the cries of as those being advanced by Senathe injured buried and trapped tors Robert Taft and Styles Bridges are designed for political effect A Jewish boy scout gave first aid | rather than stemming from any to the injured and Jewish ambul- basic intention to attempt to secure ances helped to transport the victims | more money for the Nanking government

MUST STRIKE BALANCE

The consensus amongst informed the British Union of Fascists. officials is that any Administration attempt to get Congress to vote a Istabilisation loan on top of the The outrage occurred as a military \$570,000,000 commodity and reconstruction grant probably would re-

> | currency through foreign loans or | other "external mechanism" would young Jews, allowed the meeting to prove of no avail until the Nanking open. But a few minutes later, there government is able to bring its expenditures and tax receipts -into Fascists" and the crowd surged forsomething approximating-balance. Meanwhile, experts pointed out tore up pamphlets.

that the only two possible sources! outside of Congress for any Chinese around the organisers and stabilisation loan are the Export-| crowds chanted "Close the meeting" Import Bank and the World Bank! and "Get back to Germany." one of both of which already have ruled; the organisers called: "See what is themselves out of the picture.

cided flatly against the possibility rushed forward again. of making any such loan, firstly, because they think it would be useless under the present economic condi- be closed. tions in China and, secondly bethe raiders were driven off and village of Salame near Tel-Aviv. A delayed action barrel bomb, cause they interpret the Bank's

> sation loan to China because that country has been unable to maintain any definite par value of its currency which is one of the prerequisites to the international bank a.m. to 6 p.m. curfew was imposed Associated Press. advancing stabilisation funds.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION It is considered possible that demands by Republican Congressmen might result in some additions to the military equipment assistance and the issuance of directives which would permit the American military mission in China to operate closer to

field level.

Administration may soon attempt to show the full scale of its military In . the rioting which followed equipment provided the Chinese Europeans, were attacked, vehicles under surplus property. deals and damaged, shops looted and a big in his party journal, Prave Lidu; in other forms during the past two department store set ablaze.— "Now we have to strengthen anew years. Whether this would have the Reuter. effect of heading off Republican demands for military aid is not certain. These sources asserted that their

analysis of the Congressional senti-Zvai Leumi members, kept guard in vociferous Republican proponents refugees into the United States general economy sentiment of the on July 1 this year, is recom-A Jewish illegal immigrant ship, majority of Congressmen may be the "Builders and Fighters" with judged by their approach to China than the present Administration programme envisages. NOT ACCEPTABLE

Commenting on reports that the Chinese might come up with a plan

for an indirect attack on the currency problem which would envisage two members, Senators John Cooper n United States loan to be put at (Republican of Kentucky) the disposal of a Chinese foreign Howard McGrath (Democrat of exchange equalisation committee in Rhode Island) disagreed with the specific purpose of bolstering the

South Canal Mouting Post, Lid.

They said it would be considered merely as an attempt to disguise the question and most administration officials would still see it as "nothing more than a credit" for the government to draw upon .- United Press.

Mosley's Men Howled Down

Meeting Broken Up London, Feb. 29 .- Police tonight two camps." dispersed in uproar a North London meeting called by supporters of the Sir Oswald Mosley, former leader of

Five arrests were made. inaugurated an electioneering campaign in support of Union Movement candidates to be nominated for local

The audience, consisting mainly of was a cry of "Down with the -ward, -smashed - notice - boards -- and

When the police formed a cordon happening in Czechoslovakia, and, Export-Import Bank officials de- amid another uproar, the crowd

> The police forced them back and announced that the meeting must Five men will appear before the

The Bank cannot make a stabili- CURFEW IMPOSED IN ACCRA

magistrates tomorrow.—Reuter.

Accra, Gold Coast, Feb. 29.-A 6 plan for industrial development.here today as more police were drafted into Accra after yesterday's rioting in which two African ex-service-

men were killed and 23 injured. Yesterday's clashes occurred when the Africans were marching to petition the Governor on grievances, including unemployment and the imprisonment of African servicemen

court-martialled in Burma, However, it is expected that the Stones were thrown. The police used tear gas and shots were fired.

Prague, Feb. 29.-M. Edenek Fierlinger, Czechoslovakia's new

otherwise suffer in the purges.

Promised

Paris, Fcb. 29.—New steps towards the consolidation of the Russian bloc of Eastern European states were promised by M. Vladimir Clementis, the Czechoslovak Deputy Foreign Minister, in a message today to L'Humanite, the French Communist newspaper.

M. Clementis stated: "We have the intention within the next few weeks of completing our system of alliance by signing treaties, particularly with Bulgaria and Rumania.

"Nothing has changed our desire to i the shaken confidence collaborate with the Western States followers. by concluding bilateral agreements with them in the realm of national

sovereignty." Of future events in Czechoslovakia M. Clementis said: "The new system will not cause any fundamental changes. The new Gottwald Cabinet will realise, as rapidly as possible, the programme which it planned and whose realisation was confided to it by the last elections.

"We will continue with these free elections, which will take place on a date to be fixed by the law.

"In the domain of exterior policy, we will continue to rely oh our treaties of alliances, which have been directed against the possibility of a renaissance of Germany or of any of Germany's allies, no matter who they may be."

TO STAY DEMOCRATIC

The Paris paper, L'Ordre, today published an interview with M. Jan Masaryk, the Czechoslovak Foreign serve our new democracy as long as Minister, who said: "Czechoslovakia necessary and as long as my strength is and remains a democratic state allows."-Reuter. which wishes lasting peace. We do not wish Europe to be divided into

Reports published in Paris that the British, American, and French new Union Movement organised by military attaches in Prague had been told by General Svoboda, the Czech Minister of National Defence. that their presence in Prague was un-The meeting, which was to have desirable were denied by the Czecho-

slovak Embassy here today, The denial said the military at resolution pledging support to the taches had not been interrogated by Prime Minister, M. Robert Schuman, council elections, only lasted 10 General Syoboda, nor had the quest for his "courage" and disinterested-The official consensus here is that minutes. Mounted and foot police tion of an anti-Czech plot been dis- ness in vigorously pursuing the cussed with them.-Reuter.

GCTTWALD'S PROMISE Reuter.

Prague, Feb. 29.-Premier Klement Gottwald today promised the nation's farmers ownership of up to 120 acres of the land they tivate, but said Czechoslovakia will not adopt the Soviet system of collective farms.

He and his Minister of Agriculture. Julius Duris, presented the -and the Communist seizure of power new Communist-led government's in Czechoslovakia was its aftermath" plans for agricultural reform at a

rally in Wenceslas Square. Duris outlined a 10-point programme of land reform. It included subsidies for farmers to be taken capable of re-establishing prosfrom the yield of profitable; industries and large loans to help farmers | solid bloc.

and their wives mechanise their farms and homes. Gottwald called upon the farmers to produce more food so Czechoslovakia could fulfill her two year

DIFFICULT HOURS AHEAD

Social Democrat Minister of Industry, today warned of "difficult Szakasitz, the Hungarian Socialist hours" ahead and called for the de- leader, who hitherto oprosed a fufence of innocent people who might The Minister, who led the Leftwing revolt in his party and rounded

large part of it into line with the new National Front programme sponsored by the Communists, wrote

"We have to protect them against the consequences of the intervention going on everywhere. It is our duty to defend all those who might otherwise suffer innocently and are injured, though guiltless."-Reuter.

DEMOCRATIC SETTLEMENT

Prague, Feb. 29.-The Czechoslovak people is "fundamentally democratic and will remain so," M. Jan Masaryk, the Czechoslovak Foreign Minister, in his first pronouncement since the crisis, told a

French correspondent today. He said the crisis was started by people who wrongly thought it was possible to govern without or even against the Communists and added: "It was settled in a democratic and

constitutional way." The Foreign Minister said: " always went with the people and

will go with them now. "I joined this Government out of a democratic conviction and I will

MRP RESOLUTION

Paris, Feb. 29.—A resolution con-

lemning the "coup d'etat committed in Prague against democracy and the installation of a minority dictatorship" was passed tonight by the National Committee of the Popular Republican (MRP) Party. The Committee adopted another economic restoration of France and his fight against rising prices."-

"SECOND MUNICH"

Paris, Feb. 29.-M. Guston Palewski, General de Gaulle's "right hand man" and a former executive of his Rally of the French people, said at Bayonne, south-western France today that the war-time Yalta Pact was the "Second Munich To counteract the "Soviet expansion which threatened the world's peace." he suggested the inauguration of a European federation

perity and creating a strategically He urged his hearers to "hasten the accession of the Rally of the French People to power in France by demanding the dissolution of the present National Assembly and the elimination of the Third Force (the grouping of Centrist parties),"

which has taken the wrong road."-

Budapest, Feb. 29 .- M. Arpad

HUNGARIAN FUSION

sion of the Hungarian Communists and the Social Democratic parties, today announced in an editorial in the newspaper Nepszava that a fusion of the two parties would take place at the Social Democrat Party Congress starting on March 6.

U.S. Plan To Admit 100,000 European Washington, Feb. 29.—The Refugees Into Country admission of 100,000 European the courtyard and patrolled the of increased aid to Nanking the over a two-year period, starting period, while Senator McGrath said | Last July, President Truman

The plan may be changed before

the full committee submits its recommendations to the Senate. A copy of the report, handed to

newspapermen today, showed that

be considered any more persons be admitted over a two-year rationing of Christian charity."

The majority's report was written a number of displaced persons into mended by a majority report of by Senator Chapman Revercomb the United States as immigrants. man of the subcommittee, and senators in the majority report of Missouri) and Pat, MacCarran

> (Democrat of Nevada). Their report said it was estimated a foreign power. that there were 1,323,310 displaced persons and refugees in Germany, Austria and Italy at present. .Senator McMahon (Democrat of immigration laws for permanent

> Connecticut) who is not a member of residence in the United States and with Senator McGrath's view than intend to live. with that of the majority.

The bill suggested by the three

specifies that at least half of the displaced persons admitted must be natives of countries taken over by All such persons would have to

qualify under the United States

the Judiciary committee, commented they would have to possess a skill today that he was more in sympathy needed in the area in which they

He said: "As outlined to me, the Fifty per cent of the total admitted

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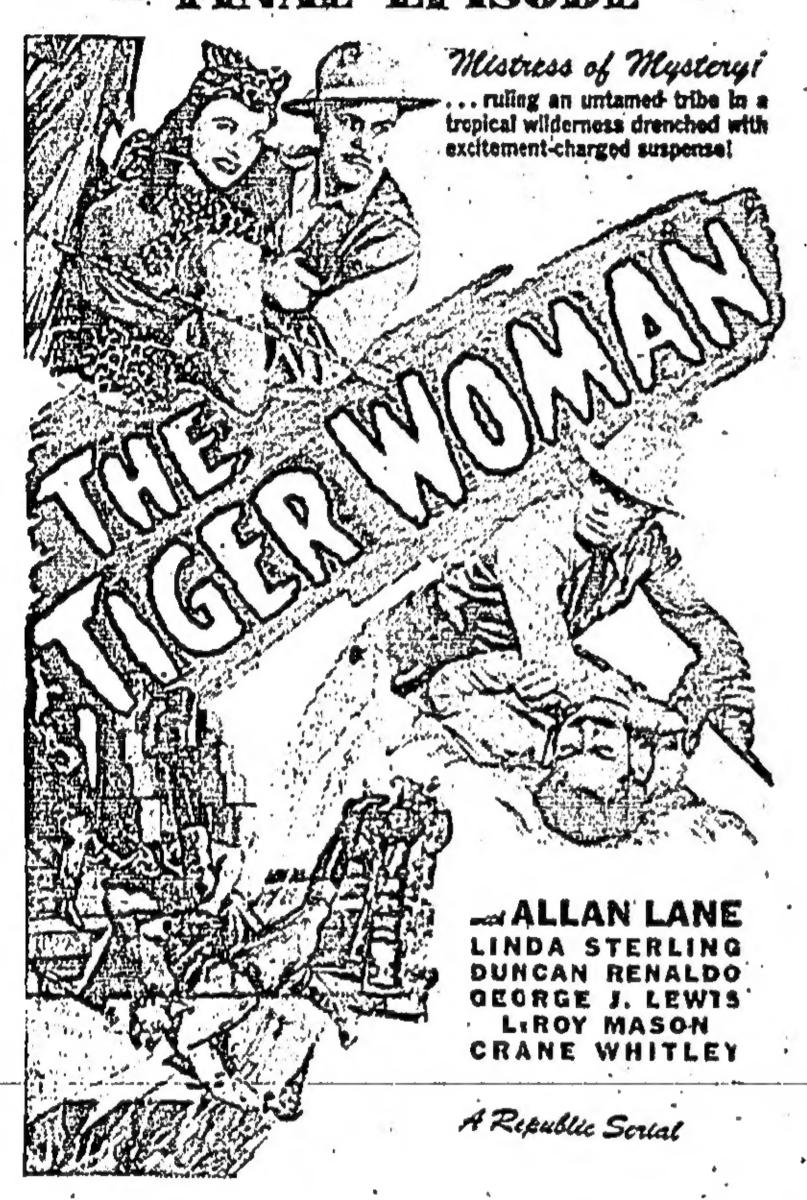




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at 2.30, 5.15. 7.15 & 9.15 p.m. HONGKONG AN OASIS OF PROSPERITY

TONGKONG is to be the Far East very much what Switzerland is to Europea little oasis of prosperity and stability in a largely chaotic continent.

Its shops are full of consumer goods; its currency, the Hongkong dollar, amid the vast inflation of China, is stable and everywhere acceptable, circulating throughout South China, where it provides the most satisfactory, and often the only reliable, means of exchange.

On this barren rock, which British enterprise and administration have transformed into a thriving port, law and order prevail when all around there is lawlessness and civil strife.

higher ranks, at any rate, are ly. beyond suspicion of corruption. lems of reconstruction.

effectively controlled. and the their feet" in favour of living under destruction of property due to British administration. There can the war, to the Japanese occu-, be little doubt that many more pation, and, perhaps most of all, to an orgy of Chinese looting which followed Japan's have no right, under the terms of the collapse, is in process of being treaty of 1860, whereby the island made good.

Cars to Nylons

A NYTHING, from the most expen-A sive motor-ear to nylon stockings, can be freely bought. Food in the hotels and restaurants is lavish, varied and by contemporary standards not expensive. Housing is desperately short, both for Europeans and Asiatics, partly in consequence of the unending influx of refugees from China. There are no signs of malnutrition.. The harbour is full of shipping, and business of every sort is thriving.

If such conditions seem particularly, impressize, it is by contrast with China, which is rapidly falling into a condition of irretrievable dlsorder and misery.

A long-drawn-out war with Japan of abating have effectively wrecked, City was therefore administered by the national economy. Nor has the the Hongkong Government up to National Government given any in- December, 1941, when the Japane, dication of being able to deal with decupied the colony. this situation. The present tendency is for it to decline in prestige, in pation of Hongkong, reduced Kowcompetence and, unhappily, in reputa-, loon City to rubble as part of a tion for integrity. American dollars scheme to enlarge the Kaitak Airmay suffice to keep it in existence, port, but can scarcely revive its sinking

fortunes. With covert Russian aid the

IT is not surprising, in these circum-* stances, that there has been, and continues to be, heavy. Chinese immigration into Hongkong. Under ure force. the Japanese occupation its population declined to about 500,000, but has subsequently been increased by the influx of at least a million refugees from the mainland,

levies amounting to confiscation. employment.

MALCOLM MUGGERINGE

Mr Muggeridge recently visited this part of the world to study the changed social and economic conditions brought about by the war and its aftermath. This article was written for the Daily Telegraph (London).

Refugees are still coming in at

million Chinese should have-to use confusion. The prices of necessities are Lenin's graphic phrase-"veted with would have come had it been

> Though the Hongkong authorities was ceded in perpetuity to the British Government, to restrict immigration; in the interest of the refugees themselves, and of public byriene in the colony, they have been forced at any rate as far as possible to discourage it.

Leased Territory

I kong, under the Anglo-Chinese of where confidence lies, then there Convention of 1898, the British Gov- is more confidence in the future of grament acquired on a 99 years' Hongkong and Singapore, the remalease a small portion of the main- mants of Great Britain's once

walled city of Kowloon, which it was embarrossed by the funds which agreed should continue to be under pour into, them for investment, and tary arrangements for the defence or whom they must provide. Hongkong were not prejudiced. In fact, in consequence of the incompetence and corruption of Chinese administration, this provision had to and a civil war which shows no signs be invoked almost at once. Kowloon

The Japanese, during their occu-

Squatters Menace

perhaps extend their influence to the tion elsewhere, built themselves colony. taken, therefore, to remove them, as Shanghai. As they resisted, it was necessary to The Chinese Press is bitterly Teleston was August Seider and

The greater part of these refugees . By a curious illogicality the same same sense.

defeat, has been reduced to a melancholy condition of commercial stagnation municipal incompetence, and The very streets are left unswept.

Commercially the colony is thriv-

ing as it has never thrived before.

In the years before the war it was

losing trade to Shanghal. Now it is

the other way, and Shanghai's trade

Shanghai, indeed, since Japan's

is moving to Hongkong.

corruption, and financial ruin. and with the Chinese national dollar reaching fantastic levels of inflation, smuggling rampant, and the Chinese authorities seeking to impede rather than promote foreign commercial

come difficult, if not impossible. It is not surprising, in these circumstances, that the commercial community in Shanghai, Chinese as well as European, should look with envy at Hongkong.

They see there, under British adthe astonishing, and to the authori- ministration, the requisite condi-There is a police force whose ties alarming, rate of 100,000 month- tions for carrying on trade-a stable currency, port facilities unimpeded It is indeed an ironical circum- by unnecessary controls, and just stance that while in China, and to laws justly administered. These conand a Civil Service which since a certain extent in Hongkong Itself, ditions have enable Hongkong to be VJ-Day has coped vigorously propaganda favouring the return of prosperous when most of the rest of | and competently with the prob- the colony to Chinese Jurisdiction is the world, and particulary the Far being carried on, more than a East, is in a state of economic

Confidence

EVEN American-occupied Japan India in Hongkong the most convenient outlet for its slowly reviving production, as well as a useful market for the purchase of essential raw materials imported into the colony from other sterling

Travelling about the Far East today it is impossible to resist the conclusion that the benefits of British administration, as exemplified in a colony like Hongkong, are more appreciated, and for that matter more needed, than ever before.

"If the movement of people and of IN addition to the island of hong- property be taken as an indication mighty Colonial Empire in Asia. This territory included the minute than ever before. The banks are Chinese jurisdiction provided mili- the authorities by the immigrants for

Shop Window

is an ironical circumstance, which future historians are likely note, that as the area British influence has contracted in the Far East so the pressure of population and investment capital on those places where it is still operative has intensified.

The probability is that, if the Nanking Government had been less preoccupied with domestic conflict and the problem of reoccupying Manchuria when the war ended, a resolute attempt would have been Chinese Communists are expec- WHEN the British returned, squat- made to prevent Hongkong rever-

Heavy Immigration were such that their presence in would have been little inclined to had a burnish that shed lustre on the author's skill in recalling vivid-Kowloon City constituted a serious resist such an a attempt. In that case everything, a power that easily danger to the physical well-being of Hongkong would quickly have fallen triumphed over the orchestra enerthe rest of the colony. Steps were into the same melancholy condition getically conducted as it was by Karl

hostile-to-a-continuance-of-British atthough-he-looked-the-part-and-sang It was this incident which led to administration in Hongkong, and in in cultivated style he was constantly popular demonstrations of protest in that undoubtedly reflects the senti- overstaclowed by his partner. Hans various parts of Chlic, and to cr. ments of the Nanking Government. Hotter proved magnificent Kurwenal panised attacks on the British Con- Within the colony an agitation is and two English artists who carned selate in Canton and other towns being vigorously conducted in the conspicuous success were Constance

have been storving and landless Chinese who are loudest in their Whatever may happen in the Norman Walker, a noble and dignipeasants, victims of the civil war, protests against Houghoug being future, it cannot but be a source of fied King Mark. but they have included some thou- under British administration are satisfation to a British visitor that sands of middle-class and wealthy equally insistent that to deprive the colony's present state should was caust to the international master who said to him, "I've seen Chinese seeking security from poli- Chinese of the right to live under compare so favourably with condi- standard of ten years ago and two letters in 'The Harrovian' not tical instability and persecution and that administration is a monstrous tions elsewhere. Hongkong has been the possibility of investing their wrong, quite brespective of whether described as Britain's shop window forward to hearing Mme Flagstad as the boys for the constituted authomoney without fear of currency de- there is any possibility of providing in the Far East. Never in its history Brunnhilde in the Valkyrie next preciation or excessive taxation and them with requisite shelter and has it shown up to better advantage month.

ter on her chest, and stun a rhino-

ceros with one backblow from her

"I told you he stopped between floors if he doesn't get tipped!"

CULTURAL NEWSLETTER:

WAGNERIAN OPERA RE-ESTABLISHED LONDON

- BY R. G. WEETLOCK

LONDON, Feb. 25. production of Tristan and Isolde Portralt. at Covent Garden Opera House; The third new play in London last week was "The Gorbals Story" Kirston Flagstad singing the by Robert McLeish. The Gorbals is

part of Isolde. A start had been made with the The play is performed by the Glas-Moster-singers in January but the gow Unity Theatre Company, a performance of Tristan in German repertory company, and it tells in was in many ways superior and, homely style of the tragedies and largely owing to Mme. Flagstad's humours of people who live in overbrilliance, gave London its most crowded homes. exciting night of opera since before the war. Most critics were emphatic in their praise the only really cau-Newman in the Sunday Times.

Shacklock, a resonant Brangano, and

The performance on the whote before Dr Welldon, the then headeveryone is now eagerly looking calculated to increase the respect of

New Plays

It has been busy and successful week also in the legitimate theatre. Perhaps the most remarkable play was the "Family Portrait" by two Americans, Lenore Coffee and Joyce Cowen, in which English actress Fay Compton gave a per-IVI a pack of wolves in two with formance described by one critic as If while reading of this and of her bare hands, balance a helicop- "one of major achievements of contemporary stage."

> The family shown here is the elbow, pleaded that she was only a family of Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus weak little unprotected woman when of course does not appear on the the secret police accused her of stage, but the play shows us the forecasting the weather by illicit reactions of his family to a career means. The poor little thing was so that ended on the cross. They are upset that she took the door of her a very ordinary everyday bunch of room off its hinges, and banged the people quite unaware for most part three policemen over the head with of Jesus's greatness, alternately it. She then tucked one under each elated at his success as a preacher, arm, tied the third round her neck, irritated that he is not there to help and took them back to their den. them in their carpentry business and She told their superior beast that at the last dismayed and rather to posterity, and Professor Willy re-

mixed or group of displaced persons scheme of things." co-operative in the face of the who was 89 last week:

TWIAGNERIAN opera defi- plague, however, and as soon as the mitely re-established itself quarrel again. In its own way the in London last week with play is quite as ironic as "Family

a notorious slum district in Glasgow.

Harrow History

"Harrow School - Yesterday And tious notice being written by Ernest Today" by Dr E. Laborde (Winchester Publications, 30s.) is the book undoubtedly Mme that will be of interest to old Har-Flagstad's evening and it has been rovians all over the world. One of ted to get control of Manchuria, and W ters, unable to find accommoda- ting to its former status as a British half humorously suggested that this number is Mr Winston Churinstead of referring colloquially to chill, and another is Mr L. S. Amery, Yellow River, before this year is out, precarious and unhealthy dwellings To judge by its action in other the opera as Tristan we should in who has reviewed the book in the among this rubble. Their numbers directions the British Government future call it Isolde. Her singing Sunday Times. Mr Amery praises ly certain aspects of the school's history and speaks highly of the ad-

mirable illustrations. Mr Moore, the headmaster of Harrow, has described the book as "faithful and scrupulous guide to the buildings, houses and institutions of the school, their history, their orcana, their embellishments and treasures and legends that cling

Mr Amery recalls the true story of Mr Churchill being summoned rities of the school. I shall not dream of asking who wrote them, but if any more of the same sort appear it may be my painful duty to swish

Lamb For Longevity

One of the best-loved figures in English literature is Charles Lamb, author of the Essays of Elia, and the annual birthday celebrations of the Charles Lamb Society last week had an appropriately friendly aimo-

Professor Basil Willey was the guest of honour and delivered the memorial lecture. He spoke of Lamb's lack of interest in politicseven the name of dreaded Napoleon Honaparte only provoked him to witticism-and recalled that when people argued in Lamb's presence about public affairs he felt like a boy among grown-ups. On the other hand it is Lamb's wit and gentleness that have endeared him mark that "we need Lamb as a Another new play, "The Cockpit," corrective to state of mind that in-. by Bridget Roland, deals with sists on fitting everything into the

in a German theatre in 1045 and the. It has been suggested that people difficulties of a British officer in try- influenced by charm and tranquillity. ing to dispatch them east and west, of Lamb's writings live long. Several They are all quarrelling among them- members of this Society are over 80 selves until there is sudden scare of including Mr Walter Farrow, the bubonic plague, when they become chairman, and Mr Gilbert Coleridge

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber · La Zaphroma in action

HRILL to the picturisation Left over 1 of 40,000 wild buffaloes pursuing the composer Wagner through the trackless swamps the unexplored Amazon, while Mme. Brahms fights off the maddened natives of the Andes.

Nothing like this has ever been seen before in a musical film. took sixteen, coloured marble or- wurzels in 1934? We want one gans, each one hundred and twelve plank, sir. feet high, to play the Tannhauser overture, which is sung by the Minneapolis Choir, augmented to 11,591 voices. There is an earthquake, a battle between wholes and tigers in an - air-liner, an explosion in a powerhouse, a stampede of crayfish, a total eclipse of the sun, two forest fires, a landslide, and a fall of searching music of Richard Wagner, this, please, Minister?

AUNT FRITZI --- MY

ANGRY TODAY

TEACHER WAS VERY

Turning the Tables

-ERNIE BUSHMILLE

NANCY

Dear reader, and would it surprise MME. ZAPHROMA, who can tear

You discovered one more of these On the little round wickerwork

And again

WHAT HAVE YOU

BEEN UP TO

1. What was your acreage of

1. State condition of same when reaped?....Oh, see above. 3. Average width of your wurzels they had fainted while being told ashamed at his fate. in 1929? ... Never have used wure their fortunes,

zels, ho yes. 4. Description of soil We Duet for zither want one blank, fir.

5. Average yield per acre in 1937. Same dittoo of above. meteorites. And through it all, like. 6. Average height per ton per Nature's luliably, throbs the heart- acre ... Per, per, per, what good is

. Up and down and back, ... Up and down and back (Not only hither), "Ifp and down and back,

Up and down and back (But zither).

By Ernie Bushmiller





Mgr Antoine Fourquet.

Archbishop of Canton,

who is going to France

on leave after 52 years of

mission work in Canton

and Kwangtung Province.

He is 73 years of age.

V2's COLOUR

PICTURES

TELL SECRETS

The pictures were taken, by

automatic cameras stowed away

inside a V2 rocket fired recently

from the U.S. Air Force experi-

In a few months photographs

now_being built for the U.S. Navy

by the Glenn Martin Aircraft

Being Studied

are now being studied.

dropped by parachute.

its zenith.

The photographs taken by the V2

Some of the seven cameras took

continuous photographs of the earth

and the horizon right from the

take-off until the rocket reached

At maximum height the cameras

Three other things the rocket

was used for were: to measure the

height of voltage breakdown in

were automatically ejected and

Monea This Space Every Day BEAUTY ARTS

By LOIS LEEDS



Posed for Lois Leeds.

"Dear Lois Leeds-Would

NYLONS IN

By Eileen Ascroft

TOR a long time now the women

A of this country have been waiting

for hylons; and for a long time now

the Board of Trade, have been tell-

ing them that plenty of British

aylons would be on the market

The walling-time is nearly over,

This summer an £8,000,090 factory

for making nylons will open at

mouthshire conffeld near Pontypool.

The factory is almost complete; it

covers 100 acres of ground, and it

b to turn out yarn enough for

The nylon facidry is the biggest

free-enterprise project in South

Wates. It is being financed by Im-

perial Chemicals and Courtaulds for

their joint offshoot firm, British

Six Pairs Per Year

609 women and carls in the country.

21's millions would wear nylon or

-pure-sille-fully-tashioned-stockings-

if they could get them. Average

life of a pair of uylons is three

The "working party" set up to

advise the Board of Trade on the

hostery industry put women's needs

at six pairs of nylons a year. Therefore, if potential demand is to be

satisfied, at least 13,500,000 pairs

At present manufacturers are

per year must be produced for the

permitted to export up to 100 per-

cent of their nylon output. But so

anylon yarn from the new factory

that the home market will not be

By Galbraith

great will be the production of

It is extremeted that of the 20,000,-

nillions of pairs of stockings,

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home market.

Logdon, Feb. 18.

PLENTY

The answer, I believe, is both.

Lois Leeds recommends the Sun for "what alls you"!

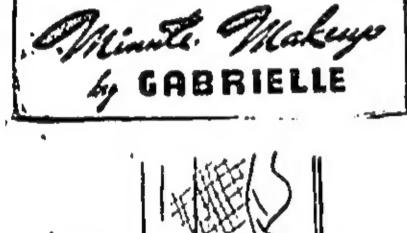
"DEAR LOIS LEEDS"

droopy skin come from fat or from "Dear Lois Leeds - I am sixteen | bad posture on a young woman who years old, very white skin and light i is 5 feet, five inches, and who weighs hair. Should I use dark powder? 1250 lbs.?-TOLLY."

Face powder, with a Rose-Tan So much excess weight causes bad glow will most certainly be very posture. The way to a "cure" is becoming and it will tend to make exercise, which will improve your your hair look lighter. You might posture, and proper eating. also consider getting yourself a nice tan. A tanned Blonde is always an i. attractive type.

"Dear Lois Leeds-My pores are so noticeable, coarse and ugly. Although my skin is slightly oily it is never bumpy or blotchy. How can I refine my skin?-CLAIR."

First, think about your diet. Eat vegetables and fruit, drink milk, and get out in the air as much as possible. Cleanse your skin by using liquefied cleansing cream as well as sonp and water. Purchase a pore eream and use it every night. The astringent quality of pore cream may set those pores to work in a more normal way and the more they work the more "refined" they become. A patting once a week with an astringent lotton is also recommended.





When you have to make a Quick Change, take a facial cocktail. It will pen you up and put a glow in your cheels and a sparkle in your eyel Soap your face thoroughly. Massage in the suds. Then rinse with cold water until your cheeks tingle. A dab of foundation cream, generous powdering and-you are on your way!

SIDE GLANCES

The trip to the dentist soon may be a less unpleasant experience. "The painless dentist," more or less, is here at last. Science has developed a way to eliminate the pain of the drill. Dr Harold Hillenbrand, secre-

tary of the American Dental Association, hailed progress in "pain control"—both in extractions and fillings-as one of the most significant of the wartime advances in dentistry. ..

The latest tool which the war 'added to the kit of the "painless dentist" is a diamond-tip drill.

The old style drill, usually made of hard steel, generated heat which would react on the nerves of the teeth and cause pain. The dlamond drill produces little heat. Hence, no pain no pain.

Dr Hillenbrand sald much progress had been made in local annestheties designed to deaden pain without endangering the patient.

He said, however, the use of sodium pentathol is not yet advisable for the general dentist's chair. and this efficient drug should be administered only in hospital cases.

Solution Fails ...

"Hartman's solution," - , which stirred up enthusiasm a few years ago, proved a disappointment. It was an anaesthetic which was applied directly to the tooth. It was supposed to deaden the tooth while the dentist pulled it or worked on. a filling, But the solution evaporated too quickly and lost its effectiveness.

Dr Hillenbrand said children should be taught not to fear the dentist. He recommended that the child's first visit to the dentist's office should be made with a parent who is to have work done. That should be done, when the child is about two years old.

It is a simple application of practical psychology, and the child may learn there is nothing to fear.

Women Barflies In America

America is becoming a nation of female barflies, an FBI offi-Mambilad, a village in the Mon-1 cial said.

> Since 1941: 80,000 women have been convicted for drunkenness; 7,000 women were arrested for drunken driving: 8,000 women were arrested for other breaches of the liquor laws.

"God help us if the next genera-Nylon Spinners Ltd. It will employ | tion follows in the footsteps of the debauchees of today."

1700 men and 300 women working "The day may come when we in three shifts: 70 men have already have to put bars on the windows a been trained as foremen and charge of our homes to keep women who hatels, and are now engaged on exsigink from leaping out."

A law to probibit serving drinks New Mexico. to onescorted women at bars or within eight feet of bars was introduced by Assemblyman Drohan in will be taken at twice that height, the New York State Assembly re- using the new "Neptune" rockets

No woman with any self-respect Company. These are planned to would frequent a bar alone, Drohan reach 235 miles.

He did not object to women drinking moderately at home, but they must be earcful not to offeno

THIS FIRE IS **159 NOT OUT**

A home-fire has been kept and other recording instruments burning continuousy by a moun-

tain family for 159 years. "The Fire" was started with flint and steel in 1788 by a pioneer family in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North effect of ionised particles on radio and radar waves; to determine the

The responsibility of keeping it alight was passed on through suc- electrical equipment; and to measure who was succeeded by a son and two ceeding generations. An octogenarian couple, Mr and attitudes.

Mrs Alexander Owens, are the present fire tenders. They have 'eight children, 22 grandchildren, and 17 greatgrandchildren to see that the fire remains

burning after they die. The fire has outlasted the original cabin where it was first set by Mrs Owens' great-uncle, Thomas Dalton. The present cabin, 125 years old, was built of hand-hewn oak logs, and the fire was carefully transferred to its hearth."

by S. C. DUTT Black, 9 pieces

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White, 9 pieces. White to play and mate in two. Solution to Saturday's problem:

1, Q. Qs, any: 2, Q, R, B, or P (ch, of dis ch) mates.

"Painless" Dentist Soon DUMB BELLS Thanks To War Advances



• MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Six Hearts Proves A Tight Squeeze

By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

NIOT long ago I had the pleasure IN of playing a game of bridge aboard the battleship "Missouri." My partner was Capt. Robert Dennison, who had just returned with President Truman from the Rio conference.

Although the captain is too busy to play much bridge. I have seldom seen a more enthusiastic player. We got a little overboard on today's hand, but that did not bother the captain a bit.

"He lost the first trick to the ace of clubs, and when West came back with the queen of diamonds; Captain Dennison (North) won with the ace.



miles above the carth are Said famous preacher Dr Warren helping American scientists to Two rounds of hearts cleared - the discover "what it's like up opponents of trumps, and after a little study, he led the jack of

> You know the old saying, "Cover an honour with an honour." East obligingly followed the rule and went up with the queen. The captain put on dummy's ace, looked anmental rocket base at White Sands, xlously at West, and sure enough West's singleton king dropped. Now of course he was able to spread the

> > The captain said later that he figured he had about one chance in a_thousand_to_make_this_hand_That is, if West held a singleton king or queen, and East made the mistake of covering the honour. It was that off for Captain Dennison.

Check Your Knowledge

1. Why do Swiss mountain guides often insist on absolute silence? The sinking of what vessel precipitated a war between the United States and Spain? 3. Does an ostrich use its wings

Is the Red Sea really red? 5. Why are the eggs of birds that breed on rock ledges, without building a nest, very pointed?

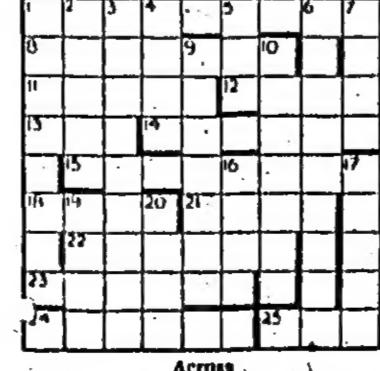
.6. Name the king of England temperatures and pressures at great daughters. (Answers on Page 4)

Rupert's Silver Trumpet-14

The Golliwog leads Rupert away at a brisk trot, and the little cat Dinkie is determined not to be left behind. Straight up to the lonely part of the common they go and, crossing the small ridge, Golly drops his sack into the back seat of the of course, it must be l'gasps
Rupert. 'I see it all now.' said it was simple." laughs Golly.
"Now I must be off or these letters won't be answered by Christmas. And he clambers in. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.



CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across t. Power clad thus will damp onthusiasm. (4, 5) of the shingle.

13, Stop just short of the site. (3)
14. Unhappy sort of individual. (6)
15. Ecstatic. (8)
16. One short of double figures. (4) 21. the appears when I get in & rage. (4)
22. What the forger may do to gain
perfection. (6) Outburst: (0) 24. Sam and Bue adopt this way. (5) 25. Leans towards writing. (3)

A nutty colour, (8) Where one may tarry for refresh-ment. (5) Ears at the Keyhole. (9) Ward in retreat. (4) Tall end. (3) ident and cute together explain. Neighbour to the Sphing. (7)

Buttons. (4) Once reserved for babies, now the B.D.C. has raised the age 19. Flower (4) SHOWING TO DAY

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DARKNESS WAS A KILLER

America's Street Lighting Bureau found that four times as many people are killed in three hours after sunset as in the same numher of hours before sunset .-More than 10,000 people met the result of poor lighting. in 1946. Full 1947 figures will show n 10 percent increase, the Nat pal

Safety Council estimates.

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It was the funniest party ever-you should have seen the look on your boss's face when you pushed him into that

ANTI-SOVIET LEAFLETS IN HELSINKI

Helsinki, Feb. 29.—Leaflets attacking Russia and Marshal Stalin, who has proposed a Russo-Finnish treaty of friendship and mutual military assistance, were being spread here today by an unknown organisation which the police are trying to track down.

The leaflets declared: "We are now independent in name only. Our vitally important concerns are being decided in Moscow. It is time to put an end to this underband game.

"The fate the Estonians suffered awalts, all Finns, sooner or later. Stalln has not forgotten and will never forget his wartime promise: 'All Finns shall be exterminated from the face of the earth.' "He began to carry out this pro-mise in Estonia. Now your turn is

The wildest rumours were circutating in the city today. One reported the Red fing had already been holsted outside the Houses of Parliament.

In fact, it was the Soviet fing flying alongside the flags of other countries taking part in the world skating championships here.—Reuter.

Soviet Request

Helsinki, Feb. 20.-The Soviet Minister in Helsinki, Lt-Gen. Savonenkov, was tonight reported to have asked the Finnish authorities for a complete list of active officers of the Finnish Army!

There was no official confirmation of this, but it was understood that a communique might be issued inter.

. In Stockholm, observers believe that the Russian request indicated that the Soviets may press for the 'dismissal of anti-Soviet officers when negotiating for the proposed mutual assistance pact between the two countries,

After the armistice of 1944, group of Army officers organised a secret force "against any foreign power trying to occupy Finland."-

SAUDI ARABIA CANCEL TO: RIGHTS

Cairo, Mar. 1 .- Saudi Arabia will cancel American oil concessions and order Americans out of the country immediately "when the Arab governments Feisal of Saudi, Arabia told Cairo newspaper yesterday.

Feishl, who is Foreign Minister of Reuter. the oil-rich desert kingdom, discussed the situation arising from American support of Palestine partition in an interview with Al Misri's, representative at the Saudi Arabian GALES port of Jeddah.

Oil is Saudi Arabia's only re-

Alyad Bey El Solh, Premier of the Lebanon, told the Associated Press a few days ago that the Arab League has agreed to prevent the proposed American pipeline from Saudi Arabian oilfields to the Mediterranean from operating in any Arab state.

The Arab League comprises representatives of seven Arab governments.—Associated Press.

OUTWARD MAILS

Unless otherwise stated, registered articles and parcel posts close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mail close before 10 a.m., registered and parcels will close at 5 p.m. the previous day.

MONDAY, MARCH I Closing Times By Air

Amoy, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsington and Pelping (Ord.) 3.30 p.m. Canton, Liuchow & Kunming 3.30 p.m. Holliow (Ord.) 3.30 p.m. Swatow & Foochow (Ord.) 330 p.m. Closing Times By Sea & Train

Macao, Talnahan & Shekki (Sea) 2 p.m. Canton (Train) 2 p.m. Salgon, Colombo, East & South Africa, Egypt & Marseilles (8ca) 2 p.m. Manila & Aden (Sea) 2 p.m. Macao, Tsinshan & Shekki (Sea) 4 p.m. Canton (Train) 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH .2 Closing Times By Ale

Amoy (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. Shanghai (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrein, Calro (Natrobl, Johannesburg & Marsellies vin Cairo), Augusta and Amoy & Foochow (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Shanghal, Nanking, Hankow, Teinglap & Death Of Pelping (Ord.) 3,30 p.m.

Swatow (Ord.) 3.30 p.m. Closing Times By Bea & Train way Canton (Train) 7 n.m. Macao, Tsinshan & Shekki (Sea) 8 a.tn. U.S.A., Canada, Central & South America via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada) (Sea) (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Z.B.W. BROADCASTS

6. Studio: Hospital Request Half Hour. Presented by Ethel Holmes Brown; 0.30, A Welsh Programme: 7, London Relay: he was made a life member. He World and Home News: 7.15; Studio: "I also founded the Soares scholarship to Sweden, the Foreign Office and Like What I Like" Presented by Peter at the Hongkong University open to Portuguese students in the Colony.

"Grumpy" by Horaco Hodges. A to Portuguese students in the Colony. Comedy with Cyril Maude in his original He was a prominent race horse part: 8.45. BBC Transcription Service: owner in his early days and raced "My Songs for You": 9. London Relay: regularly at the Hongkong Jockey Raymond Lul and His Hawalian Band: Club for many years. 0.30, English Composers; Butterworth; He leaves a family 0.45, London Relay: "The Arts Today"; and three daughters. 10, London Relay: Radio Newsreel; 10.15, The funeral will p "Something for Everybody"; 11, Close

PLANE HIT BY FLARE

London, Feb. 29.—One engine of a Swiss Dakota aicraft, carrying 14 passengers from Zurich, was hit by a flare when coming in to land at fog-bound Northolt Airport in London

The pilot's prompt action in switching off the engine and landing on one engine prevented the possibility of fire breaking out. No one was hurt.

An official of the ground contact caravan, thinking the Dakota's undercarriage was going to hit the caravan roof, was said to have fired, the red flare which lodged itself in the port engine and narrowly missed the oilpipe.-Reuter.

CAPITAL OF BESIEGED

Cairo, March 1.-Sanaa, capithe Imam Yehia, was recently assassinated, is now "complete-. ly besieged" by forces of Prince eldest son, said Sayed Ali Al 'Munyed, Yemen representative in Cairo.

Al Munyed said he had received a cable from Ahmed, stating: "Sanua besieged all directions. Majority of regular army joined us with full equipment. More regular troops still escaping from Sanaa and joining

Al Munyed said the Yemen's regular army consists of 25,000 soldiers. He also said that Self El Islam Abdullah, another son of the late Imam Yehia and who is now in Paris, advised him that he is coming

to Egypt. Al Munyed advised Azzam Pasha, Secretary General of the Arab Lengue, of civil war in Yemen by cable to the vessel Farouk, now en route to the Yemen with an Arab Lengue delegation hoping to mediate. Alimed has proclaimed himself Imam of Yemen and is opposing the government of Abdullah Bin Ahmed Al Wazir, who holds Sanaa.-Associated Press.

League Mission Leaves

Cairo, Feb. 29.—The advance party take a joint decision to cancel of the Arab League commission of American concessions", Emir inquiry into the reported Yemen fighting has left Sanaa, the mountain a capital of the Yemen, for "security reasons," according to information reaching official quarters here.-

SHIP ASHORE

Valetta, Malta, Feb. 29.-Tempestuous seas and gales of hurricane force, which almost brought the British Mediterranean Fleet to standstill for three days during exercises, have driven a Newcastle merchantman, the Wallsend, aground at Cap Bon, on the northeastern tip of Tunisia.

The British cruiser Phoebe was standing by the Wallsend, whose crew was in no immediate danger. The gale tonight continued unabated its fury. Members of the Riensoli lighthouse, at the entrance to Malta Grand Harbour, have been marooned for three days by the huge waves erashing astride the breakwater, which is the only contact with the mainland.

FLEET HOVES-TO

Two British troopships, the 20,174tons Franconia and the 19,118-tons Arundel Castle, which reached Malta waters on Saturday, have not been able to enter the Grand Harbour owing to the high seas.

Slight damage was caused to units of the British Fleet which, encounterexercising in the Western Mediterranean during the weekend, virtually hove to for three days, a naval headquarters announcement said

Dorsetshire, on her way to Britain, Spanish champion winning by '7-5, for military aid to Greece and from Tobruk, has been ordered to 6-4, 2-6, 2-6, 6-4.—Reuter. drop the call she was due to make at the island .- Reuter.

One of Hongkong's best known Portuguese residents, Mr Adao Maria de Lourdes Soares, died early this morning after a long illness. He was 69 years of age. An unofficial Justice of the Peace, the late Mr Soares was born in Hongkong. He retired from the firm of A. M. L. Soares and Co some years ago.

A founder of the Club Lusitano.

ment at 5.15 p.m. tomorrow.

SOVIET MOVE IN FAR EAST SEEN LIKELY

London, Feb. 29.—The deterioration of the military situation of the Nanking Government forces in the Chinese civil war, combined with increasingly pessimistic American appreciations of the prospects of decisively checking the Chinese Communists in the military field, has led some observers here to speculate on the possibility of an impending Soviet move in the Far East.

Eastern peace conference, 1. That Moscow, in the face of which threatens to exclude evidence that the Western powers Russia from an effective voice in decisions affecting Japan, may, it is argued, have tempted and Moscow to accelerate the sian, hold on the Far Eastern 2. That the demonstration of Commainland.—Reuter.

Division Of Europe real motives underlying the timing elections. of the Communist coup in Czecho-Finland to propore to conclude a liberately timed to distract attention tal of the Yemen, whose ruler, military treaty of mutual assistance from a major Russian action somewith the Soviet Union?

This is the most burning question of a week which, on both sides of the fron curtain, has marked a new Ahmed, the late Imam Yehin's phase in the division of postwar Europe into two.

For many months, realistic observers here had regarded as inevitable the total communisation of the regimes in those countries inside the States, Britain and France. Soviet sphere of influence where the now familiar process was still in-

What has startled the world is that the Czechoslovak crisis should have been handled so brutally and so swiftly.

nounced immediately after the to be increasingly devoted to change of government in Prague, discussion of something very like the strengthens the impression that strategic economic organisation o Moscow has decided that the urgency | Western Germany for self-preservaof consolidating her European tion against Communist encroachstrongholds beyond fear of political | ment.-Reuter. backsliding transcends any considerations of world opinion or Soviet relations with the other Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee today great powers.

Major Move?

tions are pending both in Czecho- world or face a "violent" global slovakia and in Finland, and that revolution. the Communists preferred to secure the position in advance against posnôte to Finland is couched.

Featherweight Title Annexed By Del Rosario

Manila. Feb. 29.—Tirse del Rosario, featherweight cham- dice" when they join "ultra demopion of the Philippines, last night annexed the featherweight championship of the Orient by decisively defeating ganisations boosting civil rights. David Young, the Chinese clean politics movements and liberal Hawaiian-born bantamweight southpaw, before a record crowd of 12,000 cheering fans at the presentative Frances Bolton, (Re-linusen under the assumed name of Rizal Memorial Stadium.

Unleashing a savage two-fisted ntinck following a slow start, the local champion, weighing pounds, won a decision over Young, mittee's antidote for world who topped the scales at 118 pounds, over a 10-round bout.—Reuter. CERDAN LOOKS AHEAD

New York, Feb. 29 .- Marcel Cerdan, European middleweight champion, arrived from Parls today and said he is looking past the March 12 fight with Laverne Roach to a shot at Rocky Graziano in a champion-

ship bout.-United Press. VETERAN'S PLUCK Paris, Feb. 29 .- Pedro Maesip, the Spanish champlon, had to battle hard against veteran Henri Cochet won the men's singles event in the

French covered courts lawn tennis championships at Lyons today. Cochet, one of the famous French "muskeleers" team of 20 years ago, hospital ship brought Massip to five sets, the

> SPEED SKATING Helsinki, Feb. 29 .- John Werket, of the United States, won the 1,500 metres event in two minutes 22.3 seconds when the world speed skating "championships were continued here today.

in two minutes 22.6 seconds; Ake Seyffarthof of Sweden third in two minutes and 23.2 seconds, and Odd Luneberg of Norway fourth in two minutes 23.4 secnods.—Reuter.

New Ambassador To Sweden

London, Feb. 29.-Mr Harold Forquhar, Minister to Ethiopia, has been appointed British Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary

Michael In Paris

He leaves a family of three sons of Rumania and Princess Anne of either the United States or the the Adibasis movement for a separate Bourbon-Parma arrived in Paris Soviets. They therefore are hot province, while he claimed the rest The funeral will pass the Monu- today by road from Lausanne .- squares on the chessboard."--United of India was sympathetic to it-

The long standing deadlock | Among the explanations put foramong the great powers over ward by political observers here, the the question of calling a Far following appear to be the most in-

extension of the Communist, attention on the ideological battle and consequently of the Rus- for Germany and the rest of Europe.

primarily aimed at Italy, where it is intended to strengthen the Italian London, Feb. 29.—What are the Communists' hand in the April 3. That both the Czechoslovakia slovakin and the Soviet demand to and Finnish moves have been de-

> Effect On London Talks Whatever the true motive for the Communist offensive, its timing must have been considered of crucial importance to allow it to coincide with the London talks on

Germany between the United It is certain that it will have a profound effect on the temper and urgency of the consultations between the three Western powers.

If the American prophets of an impending final rift in Germany prove right, then the remaining days The pressure on Finland, an- of the London conference are likely

House Report Washington, Feb. 29 .-- The House ralled on the United States to take the lead in fencing off Communist The argument that general elec- Russia from the non-Communist

port called "The Strategy and Tactics sible reverses, is not considered of World Communism" as the Scholzklink, who was photo-State" here as a sufficient explanation of Senate President, Arthur Vandenthe events in Prague or of the berg, prepared to open a Congresurgent terms in which the Soviet slongl debate on the European recovery programme. It is one of the most stinging denunciations of the Red philosophy objectives ever issued by an arm of the Federal conclusions of the Soviet policy": "1. The Communists have one goal-world revolution. 2. They peet one more catastrophic war."

The report does not stop with that indictment. It warns Americans that they are playing with "loadedcratic groups" used by the Communists to advance their ends.

It adds that the Communists have infiltrated into labour groups, orgroups of all kinds. The Antidote

The Committee is headed by Republican of Ohio) and its report Stuckebrock. come on the 100th anniversary of the "Communist Manifesto," the touch-126 stone of Soviet policy. The Comestablish an economically strong being recognised. non-Communist bloc headed by the United States and including Western Europe, China, Near East countries and the Western Hemisphere. Vandenberg is expected to take a

similar stand when he formally speaks on the 51-month \$7,300,-000,000 European recovery programme before the Senate. He hopes that the Senate can vote

on the plan by March 15. He said quick action is even more urgent in view of the Communist coup in ing the gales and huge seas while of France in the finals before he Czechoslovakia and new pressure on Finland. After the recovery programme is

disposed of Vandenberg's Senate Foreign Relations Committee will begin hearings on President Truman's new requests for \$275,000,000 | Chopping Down Aid

Meanwhile, Senator Joseph Ball publican "revisionists" with his plan for chopping \$1,800,000,000 off the how much support his move could The report said that in the east

a special case where tacties are of Adibasis. more varied and more resources are applicable than, anywhere else," It listed India, Indo-China, and said: "Under the peripheral area under Soviet control lie potential staging areas for an attack by which-Communist thinking, Germany and Japan have just this character. They | Chota Napur division of Bihar, the are near enough and industrially district of Santhal Parganas and strong enough to be capable for a certain states, including Scraikella dangerous scale attack in either and Keonjhar. direction if given time and oppor-Paris, Feb. 29.—Ex-King Michael tunity and with the backing of ment of Bihar of hostility towards



"I have to stay in my room until I change my attitude."

Kurds Organise With Russian Assistance

Tcheran, Feb. 29-The Barzani Kurdish tribesmen, who fled to the Soviet Union last year after their defeat by the Persian Army, are, according to the Persian Government, organising armed bands-with the assistance of the Soviet authorities—with the intention of recrossing the border into Persian territory.

HITLER'S IDEAL WOMAN ARRESTED

'ideal German woman'' and The Committee issued a long re- former women's leader of the Nazi Party, Frau Gertrud pression in demands for a "Kurdish Office of Messrs. Jardine, Mathegraphed smiling at London babies when she visited Britain shortly before the war, arrested with her husband at 1945 for autonomous powers and its of Accounts for the year ended! Badenhausen, near Tuebingen, supporters prepared to break into government and draws these "simple | in the French zone of Germany, iast night.

The 55-year-old woman, who once assume that the revolution will be had power over 35,000,000 German violent. 3. They are incapable of women, said when arrested: "I fought accepting the idea that peace can in Berlin to the end as it behoves a endure from now on, and they ex- German woman, and I was wounded las a soldier."

Brusque and hostile to the French and American officials who questioned her, she declared: "I was not afraid to die for my beloved Fuehrer".

A poison phial was found on her husband, SS General Werner Helrsmeyer, former senior group leader of the SS in charge of ideological education, when he was arrested.

The couple were living at Baden-

Frau Scholzklink said that when the end came in Berlin, she was Com- taken prisoner by the Russians but munism is an all-out effort to was eventually released without

> "Only when the German and American press reported that I had perished with Hitler in the 'bunker' of the Berlin Chancellery did I decide to assume the false name Stuckebrock," she explained after a short attempt to deny her identity She then found a new-home in the French zone with her husband .--

Aborgines Turkey and \$570,000,000 for China. Uwn Province

Ranchi, Bihar, Feb. 29. said he would present the Re- Thousands of Adibasis (aboriilrst year's European recovery pro- and bows and arrows, yester-Brockman of Holland was second gramme request at a meeting on day paraded through the streets Tuesday. He declined to predict of Ranchi, the summer capital of Bihar and former 14th Army rear base, shouting slogans and the Soviets "are pressing on China, demanding a separate province

Jaipal Singh, the Adibasis leader and member of the Indian Consti-Indonesia among countries reflecting | tuent Assembly, urged the creation increased Communist resources. It of such a province to be known as "Jharkhand."

Jaipal Singh, who is presiding l over an all-Indian Adlbasis conever side controls them. In the ference, said the province should consist of aboriginal tracts of the

He accused the Congress Govern-

This statement was made by the Persian Government in its reply to the Soviet note of January 31, protesting against the activities of the American military missions.

The Kurds, totalling roughly 3,-000,000 strong, inhabit the regions forming part of four countries-Per-Stuttgart. Feb. 29.—Hitler's also border closely on Russia.

or so is punctuated with outbursts of

nationalistic feelings, finding ex-After the war, when the Azerbaijan democrat separatist movement in Northern Persia pressed in Board of Directors and Statement

leadership of Ghazi Mohammed. Three-Sided Attack

open revolt, the Kurdish tribal ele-

der in Iraq, were under attack from both days inclusive. three sides by the Iraqi Army after their leaders had flouted the Govern-

ment's authority. Called upon by Ghazi Mohammed to assist him to establish a new "Kurdish State" the Barzani Kurds slipped across the border into Persia.

Dissension broke out between the leaders of the Iraqi and Persian Kurds, and the Barzani Kurds found themselves placed in the east and southeast of Kurdistan, where a vast mountain range barred their way back to Iraq.

The collapse of the Azerbaijan "Democrat Government" in December 1946, followed by the execution of Ghazi Mohammed, left the Barzani Kurds in an even more difficult position, because a column of Persian troops now also barred their retreat.

Driven Back

They headed first towards Iraq, 1948, at 5.30 p.m. then turned north. Persian troops were dispatched and , the tribesmen Business: Election of Officers were slowly driven back across the border, where the Irnai Army awaited them. Many were captured, but the others recrossed the border into Persia and asked for asylum.. †

The Government demanded their this important meeting. unconditional surrender and the Kurds, rather than agree, fought and bribed their way north to the Soviet frontier.

They hoped that, if they could cross it, they might be used by Russia for guerilla tactics in Azerbaijan

Schuman's Warning To France

Paris, Feb. 29 .- The Premier, M. Robert Schuman, tonight said that France, in the military sense, "was behind and had no time to lose."

Addressing a national rally of the Popular Republican Party, M. Schuman added: "I do not speak because there is a particular urgency, but because there is always an urgency in this respect." He described France as one of the last bastions of civilisation, de-claring: "It is not enough for us to draw another Iron curtain to

"Uncertainty prevails everywhere. Anything may happen. Nothing is inevitable either within this country or outside. "We must not show exaggerated

guarantee our security.

pessimism but we must anticipate everything. "We must keep our eyes open be-youd our frontiers, and in this reaffairs only in relation to the

"Wo know that in France we must exert to restore well-being to our country. By social peace and justice we shall present the most effective apposition to Communism."—Rente :

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE Answers

1. Because a loud shout may start on avalanche when a mass of snow and ice is poised on a mountainside. 2. The "Maine," 3. No. It uses them as sails to increase its speed while running. 4. Yes. - Its dull, red tint is caused by millions of microscopic plants called algae. 5. So that the egg will roll around in a small circle instead of rolling off the ledge. 6. Henry VIII, father of Edward VI, Mary and Elizabeth.

NOTICE

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

Notice To Shareholders

NOTICE is hereby given that the forty-sixth Ordinary Yearly Their history in the last 100 years | Meeting of the Members of this Company will be held at the son & Co., Ltd., on Wednesday: the 17th day of March, 1948, at Noon, to receive the Report of the 31st December, 1947, to elect

ments of the north were under the Directors and to appoint Auditors. Notice is also given that the Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 4th March, The Barzani Kurds, across the bor- 1948, to the 17th March, 1948,

> By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. E. TERRY.

Manager & Secretary. llongkong, 20th February, 1948.

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HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company's Offices on Friday, 5th March,

and Committee for the ensuling year and any other matters.

T. E. JACKSON,

Members are urged to attend

Chairman, Interim Committee.

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Thousands of Adibasis (aborigines), carrying lathis (batons)
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